# Certificate of Need Task Force Conference Call Meeting February 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes

#### TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT

James Burke for Senator Deccio Norm Charney Bart Eggen for Mary Selecky Dorothy Graham Steve Hill Denise Hopkins Palmer Pollock Jon Smiley Carolyn Watts, Chair

#### INTERESTED PUBLIC PARTIES

Vicki Austin Jean Pfeifer

## TASK FORCE MEMBERS ABSENT

Representative Barbara Bailey Representative Eileen Cody Senator Alex Deccio Kathy Marshall Robby Stern Senator Pat Thibaudeau Rick Woods

### STAFF PRESENT

Nancy Fisher, MD Gary Fugere Linda Glaeser, RN Tom Piper, Consultant Beverly Skinner

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Call to Order, Role Call	Role call was taken and a quorum established.	
Review of January 25, 2006 Task Force minutes	The minutes were approved as written.	
Resignation of TAC Members: Scott Scherer and Lloyd Smith	With the resignation of Scott Scherer and Lloyd Smith from the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), the Task Force (TF) members were reminded to be aware that now the TAC has neither financial nor public health representation.	
Update: related '06 Legislative Session activity	The legislative update given by Dr. Fisher will be a standing agenda item.	

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Overview of recent select literature related to market competition and regulation	The discussion on "competition" will be continued at the March 29 in-person Task Force Meeting.	The subject of incentives and consequences is a parking lot issue.
	The TAC will revisit their recommendation on competition before the March 29 TF meeting.  All TAC recommendations to the TF will include a detailed explanation with comparisons from other states that have and do not have a CON process. It was agreed that the consultant, Tom Piper, would collect the comparison data on CON processes in other states and bring that information to the TAC, which will then be shared with the TF.  The TAC will frame their positions to better inform the TF.  The TAC will proceed to look at the pieces as spelled out in the bill and make recommendations on how to improve the CON process.  The TF will make the recommendation as to whether CON in Washington is necessary or not.	The issues and views of competition must be considered and discussed. It was suggested to invite a guest from the payer community to give the payer perspective.
Review of Draft Value Statement	It was noted that there is no national standard of "evidence based" for Nursing Homes.  At this time the TF has not reached a resolution on the Vision Statement.	This Nursing Home issue will be sent to the TAC.
Review of Discussion Report related to Draft Recommendations concerning:  CON purpose and goal CON general review criteria	Palmer Pollock, Jon Smiley and staff will provide to the TAC the perspective on today's TF discussion, and the understanding that the TF is trying to reach.	A review of the January 3 and January 25 CON Task Force meeting summaries, will be a discussion item on the March 29 TF agenda.
Discussion: Additional Questions for TAC related to:  CON scope of covered services		Tom Piper will compile CON information from other states on comparison of industries and covered services for the TAC.
Public Comment	There was no public comment.	
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.	

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